

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A picture print ordering method which orders a print of a picture image by generating print ordering information comprising electronic data in a predetermined standard to be processed by a predetermined photo finishing system, comprising the steps of:

recording, in a portable recording medium, high resolution picture image data obtained by reading a developed film and further recording, in the same portable recording medium, printing service information regarding ~~the one or more available~~ printing services which can be provided for the high resolution picture image data ~~in the same portable recording medium,~~ said printing service information being updateable information which represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data ~~for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects;~~

reading said printing service information from said portable recording medium using order processing software installed on a personal computer of a user;

updating a selection of available printing services to be displayed by the order processing software, based on the read printing service information;

displaying an order screen on a display of the personal computer of the user, wherein said order screen is created by the order processing software and comprises the updated selection of said one or more available printing services and at least one of the picture ~~the printing service information and the image data recorded in the portable~~

~~recording medium so as to display said order screen when the print ordering information for requesting a printing service regarding the image data recorded in the portable recording medium is generated; and~~

~~generating the print ordering information by using in response to a user selection of at least one of said picture image data and at least one of the one or more printing services displayed on said order screen the displayed printing service information;~~

~~wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including size and kind and the name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been recorded in the portable recording medium.~~

2. (Original) A picture print ordering method as defined in Claim 1 wherein the printing service information includes the sizes in which a print can be generated and the service charges therefor.

3. (Original) A picture print ordering method as defined in Claim 1 wherein the printing service information includes information regarding the available time period of the printing services.

5. (Currently Amended) A picture print ordering method as defined in any one of Claims 1 to 4 ~~3~~ wherein the printing service information includes information showing the kinds of finishing processing which can be carried out on the picture image when the picture image is printed.

6. (Currently Amended) A picture print ordering system which orders a print of a picture image by generating print ordering information comprising electronic data in a predetermined standard to be processed by a predetermined photo finishing system, comprising;

printing service information recording means which records, in a portable recording medium, high resolution picture image data obtained by reading a developed film and further records, in the same portable recording medium, printing service information regarding ~~the one or more available~~ printing services which can be provided ~~to for~~ the high resolution picture image data by a related service provider in the same portable recording medium, said printing service information being updateable information which represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data ~~for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects;~~

reading means which reads said printing service information from said portable recording medium;

updating means for updating a selection of available printing services to be displayed;

display means which displays ~~the printing service information recorded in the portable recording medium and the image data so as to display said order screen when the print ordering information for requesting a printing service regarding the image data recorded in the portable recording medium is generated~~ an order screen, wherein said order screen comprised the updated selection of said one or more available printing

services and at least one of the picture image data recorded in the portable recording medium;

input receiving means which receives input of a variety of instruction information using the displayed printing service information; and

print ordering information generating means which generates the print ordering information by using the displayed printing service information received by the input receiving means;

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been recorded in the portable recording medium.

7. (Original) A picture print ordering system as defined in Claim 6 wherein the printing service information includes the sizes in which a print can be generated and the service charges therefor.

8. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering system as defined in Claim 6 wherein the printing service information includes information regarding the available time period of the printing services.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A picture print ordering system as defined in any one of Claims 6 to ~~9-8~~ wherein the printing service information includes information showing

the kinds of finishing processing which can be carried out on the picture image when the picture image is printed.

11. (Currently Amended) A photo finishing system comprising image data obtaining means which obtains high resolution picture image data, print ordering information obtaining means which obtains print ordering information regarding the high resolution picture image data, and print generating means which carries out a variety of printing processing based on the print ordering information, wherein

the print ordering information obtaining means obtains print ordering information generated based on a user selection of at least one picture image data and at least one of one or more updated printing services displayed on an order screen, said order screen being displayed by order processing software installed on a personal computer of said user, wherein said updated printing services represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data based on updateable printing service information stored in the same portable recording medium as the image data, and wherein said order processing software reads the updateable printing service information from the portable recording medium in order to display the updated printing services on the order screen~~using printing service information and the high resolution picture image data stored together in the same portable recording medium and displayed on a predetermined order screen as print services which can be provided for the high resolution picture image data, said printing service information being updateable information for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects,~~ and

the print generating means carries out a variety of printing processing for providing the one or more printing services displayed as the printing service information, based on the print ordering information;

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been displayed on the order screen and the photo finishing system associates updated printing service information with the image data to indicate current printing service capabilities of the print generating means.

12. (Currently Amended) A recording medium wherein a program is stored by means of which a computer generates print ordering information in order to order a print of a picture image, said print ordering information comprising electronic data in a predetermined standard to be processed by a predetermined photo finishing system, the program comprising the steps of:

displaying, on a display apparatus connected to a personal computer of a user, an order screen comprising a selection of available printing service information and high resolution picture image data, said order screen displayed by order processing software which updates the selection of available printing service information being-based on updateable printing service information stored in the same portable recording medium as the image data, and wherein said order processing software reads the updateable printing service information from the portable recording medium in order to display the updated printing services on the order screen~~updateable information for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects,~~

~~and high resolution picture image data of the picture image recorded in the same portable recording medium on a display apparatus connected to the computer;~~

enabling instruction information using the displayed available printing service information to be inputted by a variety of input devices of the computer; and

generating the print ordering information based on the instruction information input by the variety of input devices;

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been recorded in the portable recording medium.

13. (Currently Amended) A picture print ordering method comprising the steps of:
recording, in a portable recording medium, high resolution picture image data, obtained by reading a developed film and further recording, in the same portable recording medium, ~~and~~ printing service information regarding one or more printing services, which can be provided for the high resolution picture image data, ~~on the same portable recording medium,~~ said recording being performed by a photo finishing system, said printing service information being updateable information ~~for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects~~ which represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data;

reading said printing service information from said portable recording medium using a personal computer of a user;

updating a selection of available printing services to be displayed by the personal computer of the user, based on the read printing service information;

displaying the updated printing service information and the high resolution picture image data from the portable recording medium ~~at a user device~~using the personal computer of the user; and

generating print ordering information identifying print services desired for the high resolution picture image data ~~at the user device~~, using the displayed printing service information;

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been recorded in the portable recording medium.

14. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering method as defined in claim 13, wherein the printing service information includes the sizes in which a print can be generated and the service charges therefore.

15. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering method as defined in claim 13, wherein the printing service information includes information regarding the available time period of the printing service.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering method as defined in claim 13, wherein the printing service information includes information showing the kinds of

finishing processing which can be carried out on the picture image when the picture image is printed.

18. (Previously Presented) The picture print ordering method of claim 13, further comprising the steps of:

recording the print order information on the recording medium at the user device, and

supplying the recording medium to the photofinishing system to produce prints in accordance with the print order information.

19. (Currently Amended) A picture print ordering system comprising:

a first recording unit for recording, in a portable recording medium, high resolution picture image data, obtained by reading a developed film, and further recording, in the same portable recording medium, printing service information regarding one or more printing services which can be provided for the high resolution picture image data ~~on the same portable recording medium,~~ said recording being performed by a photo finishing system, said printing service information being updateable information which represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data;

a reading unit for reading said printing service information from said portable recording medium;

an updating unit for updating a selection of available printing services to be displayed for a user, based on the read printing service information;

~~for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects;~~

a display unit for displaying the updated printing service information and the high resolution picture image data from the portable recording medium at a user's personal computer device; and

a generating unit for generating print ordering information identifying print services desired for the high resolution picture image data based on a user selection of desired print services at the user device, using the displayed printing service information;

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been displayed.

20. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering system as defined in claim 19, wherein the printing service information includes the sizes in which a print can be generated and the service charges therefor.

21. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering system as defined in claim 19, wherein the printing service information includes information regarding the available time period of the printing services.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Previously Presented) A picture print ordering system as defined in claim 19, wherein the printing service information includes information showing the kinds of finishing processing which can be carried out on the picture image when a picture image is printed.

24. (Previously Presented) The picture print ordering system of claim 19, further comprising:

a second recording unit for recording the print order information on the recording medium at the user device; wherein

the recording medium is supplied to the photofinishing system to produce prints in accordance with the print order information.

25. (Currently Amended) A photo finishing system comprising:

an image data obtaining unit which obtains high resolution picture image data from a user;

a print ordering information obtaining unit which obtains print ordering information regarding the high resolution picture image data from the user; and

a print generating unit which carries out a variety of printing processes based on the print ordering information,

_____ wherein the print ordering information is generated based on a user selection of at least one picture image data and at least one of one or more updated printing services displayed on an order screen, said order screen being displayed by order processing software installed on a personal computer of said user, wherein said updated printing

services represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data based on updateable printing service information stored in the same portable recording medium as the image data, and wherein said order processing software reads the updateable printing service information from the portable recording medium in order to display the updated printing services on the order screen~~using printing service information, said printing service information being updateable information for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects, and the high resolution picture image data, which is stored together with the printing service information on the same portable recording medium, displayed on a user device;~~

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been recorded in the portable recording medium and the photo finishing system associates updated printing service information with the image data to indicate current printing service capabilities of the print generating unit.

26. (Currently Amended) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium for ordering prints comprising:

a recording source code segment for recording, in a portable recording medium, full image picture data, obtained by reading a developed film, and further recording, in the same portable recording medium, printing service information regarding one or more printing services which can be provided for the high resolution picture image data, ~~on the same portable recording medium~~ said recording being performed by a photo finishing

system, said printing service information being updateable information which represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data~~for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects;~~

a reading source code segment for reading said printing service information from said portable recording medium;

an updating source code segment for updating a selection of available printing services to be displayed, based on the read printing service information;

a displaying source code segment for displaying the updated printing service information and the high resolution picture image data from the portable recording medium ~~at a user device~~on a display of a computer of a user; and

a generating source code segment for generating print ordering information identifying print services desired for the high resolution picture image data based on a user selection of desired print services~~at the user device~~, using the displayed printing service information;

wherein the printing service information includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been recorded in the portable recording medium.

27. (Currently Amended) A medium comprising:

a first recording area for recording picture image data with high resolution; and

a second recording area for recording information regarding one or more available printing services which can be provided for the high resolution picture image data, said

printing service information being updateable information which represents an updated selection of one or more available printing services for said image data~~for use in generating an updateable order screen displaying available printing services from which a user selects~~, wherein the picture image data with high resolution and the information regarding printing services are provided together to a customer;

wherein the customer ordering a print out by selecting an updated printing service from an order screen created according to the updateable information regarding printing services and the picture image data with high resolution having been read from said medium at the customer's computer using order processing software;

wherein the information regarding printing services includes a plurality of attributes including ~~size and kind and the~~ a name of an apparatus and/or a service provider by which the printing service information has been produced, and

wherein said medium is a portable recording medium, such that the high resolution image data and the printing service information are stored on the same portable recording medium.

28. (Previously Presented) The picture print ordering method according to claim 1, wherein the printing service information is updated printing service information for updating the order screen and/or deleting a service which cannot be provided to the user from the order screen.

29. (Previously Presented) The picture print ordering system according to claim 6, wherein the printing service information is updated printing service information for

updating the order screen and/or deleting a service which cannot be provided to the user from the order screen.

30. (Previously Presented) The picture print ordering method according to claim 13, wherein the printing service information is updated printing service information for updating the order screen and/or deleting a service which cannot be provided to the user from the order screen.

31. (Previously Presented) The picture print order system according to claim 19, wherein the printing service information is updated printing service information for updating the order screen and/or deleting a service which cannot be provided to the user from the order screen.

32. (Previously Presented) The invention according to claim 26, wherein the printing service information is updated printing service information for updating the order screen and/or deleting a service which cannot be provided to the user from the order screen.

33. (Previously Presented) The invention according to claim 27, wherein the information regarding printing services is updated information for updating the order screen and/or deleting a service which cannot be provided to the user from the order screen.